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BY E. L. RIDDELL.

"Lemon gauze and rose tulle," Mrs.
Sayles said reflectively. "And you,
Amelia, must have a yard or two more
than Margery—you are so much
larger! I declare it is a blessing to be
small and slight when one has so little
money for clothing! But, girls, I think
I can afford to get the material for you
if you can do the making yourselves.

"Oh, anybody can make a simple
skirt," said Amelia, a stylish young
lady with sleepy, dark eyes and a
cream and strawberry complexion.

"I can try, mamma," said Margery,
a slim little maid with cheeks like
peach blossoms, and long braided hair,
which was "brown in the shadow and
gold in the sun."

"Oh, you will never succeed, Meg,"
the elder sister observed with languid
contempt. "You are not clever enough,
and one must have some talent even to
make simplest garment."

"She is not very complimentary to
you, Meg, is she?" Cousin Edgar
ventured, with a diverted smile be-
hind his morning paper.

Cousin Edgar was not precisely
their cousin. He was a very remote
relative of the family, and he had just
come back from Australia, whither he
had gone some years before, when
Margery was a blithe miss in pinafores.
But if she seemed to him no longer a
child, she still remained the sweet lit-
tle friend whose sparkling letters had
brightened many a gloomy hour in the
strange land. He was very fond of
bonny Margery, certainly, but all the
same the elder sister had a profound
conviction he had not yet revealed
what he best liked and desired. He
had liked Margery, of course, but she
was not clever. She had no talent for
any thing; she was quite an insignifi-
cant little thing altogether, and Cousin
Edgar would be likely to bestow his
choicest affections upon somebody
more brilliant and mature. And Miss
Amelia did not doubt that somebody
had already been selected, even if he
had not announced his preference.

"Oh, Meg does not mind what is un-
complimentary," she said, with her
characteristic air of languid scorn. She
has not a bit of spirit; she is different
from me in everything."

"Do you think you can manage the
tulle, Margery?" the mother inquired
anxiously. "Your sister can help you."

"I shall try to manage without her
help, mamma," said Meg, with a du-
bious shake of her long braids.

Perhaps, with her deficiency of
ability, Margery was perverse enough
to apprehend that the help might be a
hindrance, or that the instruction

might not be of much advantage to
the tulle skirt.

"Well, there is nothing like trying,"
Mrs. Sayles said, sententiously.

"And trying avails where boasting
fails," mentally rhymed Cousin Edgar
behind his newspaper, and with a pec-
uliar smile, which Miss Amelia per-
ceived and was pleased to interpret as
a hint of his faith in the superiority of
her gifted self.

"Meg has a fashion of boasting," she
grandly remarked, but with a simper,
"and of course I am willing to let her
try whatever she likes without my help.
But she will surely spoil the skirt."

Margery said nothing, but her big
eyes flashed an answer of mute resent-
ment through a rush of tears.

"Never mind, Meg, the little affairs
is not absolutely indispensable to the
great party; besides, you have plenty
of dresses, and you are charming in
whatever you wear," whispered Cousin
Edgar, bending toward her until his
yellow beard brushed the shining head.

"But I am not afraid of spoiling the
tulle," Margery protested, as Cousin
Edgar put down his paper, arose from
his chair, and, humming a merry mea-
sure from some popular melody, left
the room.

"You are not such a child, Meg, that
you need encourage such familiarity
from Cousin Edgar. I am sure you do
not know what he must think of you,"
Amelia remarked, as the outer door
closed behind him.

"Why, Amelia, how absurd and
cross you can be!" the mother inter-
posed rebukingly.

But Margery did not seem to heed
the concluding sentence. Perhaps she
was already preoccupied with her plans
for the skirt which she was to have,
and which she was not destined to
spoil, all discouraging predictions not-
withstanding.

In the seclusion of her own dainty
chamber she cut and stitched with in-
dustrious determination, until the com-
pleted garment was as perfect as ar-
tistic eyes and dexterous fingers and
conscientious painstaking could make
it.

"And now I will dress just as I
mean to dress for the party, and then
I will go down and show myself to
mamma and Amelia," she thought, as,
with pardonable pride, she surveyed
the exquisite consummation of her
amateur endeavors.

Smiling and flushed with the satis-
faction of her innocent triumph she
arrayed herself and tripped blithely
down to where the two ladies were sit-
ting.

"Have I not done well?" she in-
quired, with a not unnatural exulta-
tion.

"You have done nothing for which
you should be so ridiculously jubilant,"
Miss Amelia declared, crossly and
rudely. "Of course that sort of mat-
terial can always be sewed together
somehow. But the dress has a dis-
tressingly unfinished appearance, I
should say; there are so many creases
and ridges all about the waist and
shoulders, are there not, mamma? and
draping is neither correct nor stylish.
I should never dare exhibit myself
wearing it, if I were you."

All the glad radiance vanished from
the sweet face. Margery was so tired
from her unwonted task, and she really
had such a modest distrust of her own
skill. All the light and color vanished
from her bonny face, the sparkling eyes
brimmed with tears, and a disappoint-
ed little cry came from the quivering
pink mouth.

But at the grievous cry, two voices,
the one chiding and the other wag-
ging, sounded in unison.

"She has done her work excellently
well," the mother said. "And my
judgment is worth something, I should
think. You know I did dressmaking
for a living before I married your
father."

"I am inclined to believe, Amelia,
that your own experiment has ended
disastrously," said Cousin Edgar, who
had been standing an unguessed
auditor just without the open door of
the pretty sitting-room.

"Oh, I decided not to get the lemon
gauze," Amelia languidly responded,
and with some perceptible confu-
sion. "I intend to save money for
my charity fund; and after all, I do
not think I care very much about the
party, and I shall stay at home, I
think."

But, despite the assertion, Amelia
did not forego the party.

"I should not like Meg to go with-
out me," she said to her mother.

"Meg hatterly has a fashion of making
herself too forward toward Edgar, and
she requires so much watching and
checking. I shall send her home early,
mamma; and then I shall have Edgar
all to myself," she mentally added.

But her little arrangement was not
to be a success.

Cousin Edgar did not care to re-
main if Margery were sent home. He
did not care for dancing and for peo-
ple whom he did not know. He pre-
ferred to take Margery home himself.

"I preferred a cosy little chat with
you, Meg," he said to her, as they en-

tered the familiar sitting room and he
led her to an easy chair in the window
niche, lighted by the warm, spring
moonshine.

But the easy chair was just then oc-
cupied by a capricious and showy
workbasket of all emerald satin, and tin-
sel and plaitings of lace.

"Amelia must have quite forgotten
her workbasket; and she is always so
particular about keeping her work in
her own room, too," said Margery, ex-
tending a hand to take the article from
his rather awkward hold.

But she was too late; at that instant
his clumsy man's fingers slipped, and
the basket fell, with the contents scat-
tered at his feet. And with the fall a
paper parcel rolled open, to disclose in
the gaslight an incomplete overdress
of lemon gauze.

"And Amelia said she did not get
it," Margery murmured in simple
astonishment.

"She disliked to admit that she
wasn't clever enough for the task,"
Cousin Edgar laughed, as they viewed
what to his inexperienced man's eyes
seemed one glaring, gigantic and ir-
reparable fiasco in lemon gauze.

"I do not wonder she was so cross
and critical," Margery said. "We
must not tease her about it, Cousin
Edgar."

"Why do you always call me coun-
sin?" he asked, with a look which stirred
the bonny cheeks to a wavering crim-
son. "I am scarcely that you know;
and besides, I have a reasonable
expectation of being something nearer
some time."

"I know, and I am glad for Amelia's
sake," she returned gently, but some-
how the crimson blush had faded to
pink again.

"For Amelia's sake," he echoed.

"That Amelia boasts a particular
claim to all the talent of the family I
am aware, but I certainly have not
been conscious that she has an exclu-
sive and individual right to all the
relatives also," he finished, waggishly.

"But I thought you were fond of
her?" Margery faltered.

"My charming little Meg, I am fond
of nobody but you," he answered, as
he put an arm about her and kissed
her bonny face. "And you are so near
and dear to me that I wish to keep you
mine forever—my love, my wife."

When Miss Amelia at length return-
ed from the party, she stared angrily
as she beheld the two together. Cousin
Edgar contentedly settled in the easy
chair, and Margery shyly nestled on
the ottoman beside him. But the stare
changed to an expression of mortifica-
tion as she perceived the unlucky le-
mon gauze, which had been deposited on
a convenient table.

"Never mind, Amelia, you must
have another new dress directly," said
Cousin Edgar, noting the startled
glance and changed expression.

"My little Meg must have you for a
bridesmaid, you know, and I mean to
present something more elegant than
gauze to her maids of honor."

Miss Amelia attempted something
congratulatory, but she accomplished
only an incoherent stammer.

"I could not congratulate them,
mamma," she said afterward to her
mother; "I was too much amazed. I
am sure I cannot understand why I
should always make mistakes and fail-
ures in everything. Of course Meg is
not at all clever, but she always man-
ages to have just what she wants."

Snake Charming.

A snake charmer, by a simple
motion of his hand, make a moving
snake stop instantly. The reason is
this: The snake is a most timid ani-
mal. His eyes, while dull in color and
form, are quick to motions, especially
if it is rapid. If any large thing moves
very quickly too near him, he gets
frightened and scurries off, while at
certain distances the motion stops him
if he be moving.

He stops from astonishment, fear or
the wish to see what it is that moves.
Hence he glides on unconsciously of
the charmer's presence near him so long
as the latter remains quiet; the snake
does not know him from a tree or a
rock. But when he gives a sudden evi-
dence of life the snake is astonished
and immediately remains stock still.

In India and Africa the charmers
pretend the snakes dance to music, but
they do not, for they never hear it. A
snake has no external ears, and per-
haps gives evidence of sound only
through its skin, when sound causes
bodies in contact with him to vibrate.

They hear also through the nerves of
the tongue, but do not at all compre-
hend sound as we do. However the
snake's eyes are very much alive to
the motions of the charmer, or to the
moving drumsticks of his confederate,
and being alarmed he attempts to
strike.

A dancing cobra (and no other
snakes) is simply a cobra alarmed and
in a posture to attack. He is not dan-
cing to the music, but is making ready
to assail the charmer.—Harrison's
Family Magazine.

December Jurors.

The following names have been
drawn from the jury wheel for the De-
cember court, at Norristown:

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Joseph Winterbottom, Bridgeport.
Thomas Gusman, Ambler.
Harry Spear, Conshohocken.
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John Moser, "
Mark Hiltelwitte, Greenlane.
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Benj. F. Landis, "
Wm. K. Johnson, "
Jesse F. Hillegas, Pennsburg.
Charles Westcott, Royersford.
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Benj. Tomlinson, "
Wm. Gault, "
Edward S. Pike, Lower Merion.
Daniel S. Clemmer, Lower Salford.
John S. Nise, "
John Roberts, Montgomery.
Andrew B. Kriebel, Towamencin.
Wilmer Atkinson, Upper Dublin.
John R. Bittling, Upper Hanover.
Edwin M. Abraham, Upper Merion.
John L. Reifsnnyder, Upper Potts-
grove.
Geo. Zimmerman, Upper Providence.

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F. W. Walker, Norristown.
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Albert D. Hartzell, "
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F. S. Tyson, "
Isaiah Oberholzer, "
Clement W. Booz, Marlborough.
C. S. Clayton, Moreland.
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J. G. Geisner, Salford.
Thos. Henderson, Upper Merion.
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J. L. Miller, "
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James Huston, "
Joseph Dougherty, Whitpain.
A. B. Seipt, Worcester.
Dan. Hurley, West Conshohocken.
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TRAVERSE.
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H. S. Smith, "
C. D. Hess, "
George Pittman, Conshohocken.
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Albert Crawford, Lower Providence.
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Saml. Trumbauer, Marlboro.
John Slugg, Moreland.
John Gresh, New Hanover.
Aug. Moore, Norriton.
S. O. Knight, "
Allen O. Bieler, Upper Hanover.
F. D. Farrel, Upper Merion.
Samuel Walt, Upper Providence.
Theo. Shriver, Whitmarsh.
B. F. Tyson, Worcester.

One of the most remarkable produc-
tions of the Isles of Chile is the ce-
lebrated "barometer trees," which grow
in great profusion in all of the salt
marshes. In dry weather the bark of

this natural barometer is as smooth
and white as that of a sycamore, but
with the near approach of storms these
characteristics vanish like magic and
the bark turns black.

Correspondence.

Observations in Iowa.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT:—After visit-
ing the Fair I paid a short visit to the
twin cities of Clinton and Lyons, on
the Mississippi, Iowa. The cities
along the Mississippi, in Iowa, to raise
a revenue have an ordinance of their
own in violation of the Prohibitory
law of the State, which protects instead
of opposing the traffic. To make these
unlawful proceedings lawful the Re-
publican party of Iowa has taken a
new departure. The Mayor of Lyons
at the present time has been elected
and re-elected on the council ticket
composed of Democrats and Republi-
cans over a ticket composed exclu-
sively of Democrats, (the Democratic
voters outnumber the Republican two
to one). The Mayor, Mr. Root, has
done so well in shielding the saloon
from the enforcement of the prohibi-
tory law that the Republicans have
nominated him for the Legislature to
make laws for them. For all the evil
that results from the liquor traffic un-
der the municipal ordinances the Re-
publican organ in Lyons charges as
taking place under the Prohibition
law, and cites illustrations to show
fatal results from liquor drinking in
spite of Prohibitory law! A wonder-
ful declaration this, but back of it lies
partially hidden the power which
readily converts party organs into
erring hypocrites. Of course Prohi-
bition does not prohibit under city
ordinances that keep saloons in busi-
ness to the pecuniary profit of the city.
Certainly not! The *Mirror* recently
published the resolutions unanimously
passed by the Methodist Conference
in Maquoketa and remarks, "it is
just as well that the Republicans
should know exactly how they stand,
and the necessity of hard work to over-
come all internal opposition." The
Conference affirms "in opposition to
all contrary statements we maintain
that Prohibition has been of inestim-
able value to Iowa in the banishment
of the saloon from the larger part of
the State, and would have been in
every community had an honest effort
been made for its enforcement." Reso-
lution second reads: "We deplore and
condemn the policy pursued by some
of the cities of our State, and we hold
the authority of the State to be
supreme and consider it rebellion for
any municipality to set at naught any
law of the State." There are eight
resolutions in all and very decidedly
in favor of Prohibition pure and sim-
ple. Resolution third reads: "We
deplore and condemn the effort being
made to surrender the prohibitory law
at the demand of the lawless elements
of the State, and we believe it to be
poor government and statesmanship,
as well as cowardly, to take a back-
ward step to local option in a prohibi-
tory State." The Rev. Dr. Kin

ELECTION RESULTS.

The result of Tuesday's elections indicates pretty clearly that this is an off year for Democrats, that the high tide of last year is the low tide this year, and that the usual reaction which follows the success of a political party, naturally, is again exemplified. The extent of Democratic defeat has been considerably augmented by the condition of the times—no matter what influences are really responsible—and by Democratic tardiness, indifference, and opposition in relation to the silver question.

Outside of Pennsylvania and New Jersey elections were held Tuesday in twelve States—New York, Ohio, Massachusetts, Iowa, Maryland, Virginia, Kansas, Nebraska, Kentucky, Michigan, South Dakota and Illinois.

The majority for the Republican State ticket in Pennsylvania will reach 100,000.

New York returns show Republican gains all along the line and the election of the Republican ticket by 25,000 to 30,000 majority. The figures are taken as evidence that Senator Hill has lost his grip upon the politics of the State.

McKinley won the day in Ohio and is credited with a majority of about 40,000.

Virginia remains Democratic. Massachusetts elected Greenhalge, Republican, for Governor by a plurality of more than 25,000.

In Iowa Governor Boies, Democrat, was defeated by Frank D. Johnson, Republican. The latter's majority will probably reach 30,000.

The returns from Kansas are so far favorable to the Populists.

Gains throughout New Jersey show that the Republicans have probably carried the Legislature. The gambling or Thompson element of Gloucester and Camden counties has been turned down.

HAVING finally disposed of the silver question Congress adjourned Friday, to meet the first of Monday in December.

FUREMAN SHEPPARD, a distinguished lawyer of Philadelphia, died Friday, aged 69 years. Deceased was a man of superior intellectual attainments.

The old Liberty Bell reached Philadelphia from Chicago Monday, and the occasion was one of general rejoicing. A procession of citizens numbering 20,000 followed the Bell to Independence Hall where appropriate exercises were held while it was being placed in its old position.

The President of the United States and the Governor of Pennsylvania have issued their formal Thanksgiving Day manifestos. Now, therefore, Thursday, November 30, has been duly and legally designated as a day of Thanksgiving!

Let those who have reason to do so give thanks with all their might. To make sure of their thanksgiving some folks might begin now!

We are indebted to Col. T. J. Stewart, Secretary of Internal Affairs for a copy of the Annual Report of the Bureau of Industrial Statistics. The document is an interesting one in regard to Pennsylvania industries and products, and includes laws relating to workmen and other facts and matters of importance. The report contains some fine illustrations and engravings, which add materially to its value.

The University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, has added a course in journalism to its comprehensive curriculum of study. The department of journalism will be under the special direction of Professor J. F. Johnson, a gentleman of scholarly attainments and withal a newspaper man of considerable experience. The work of this department of the University will be observed with keen interest by the pen and pencil drivers of the country, many of whom are of opinion that journalistic acquirements can only be obtained successfully in newspaper offices. We incline to the belief, however, that a course at the University will prove of great value to any young man who has in contemplation a career in journalism.

ABE BUZZARD, the ex-outlaw of Lancaster county, who has been of late engaged in the work of evangelizing sinners, is again in the meshes of law, being charged with complicity in a recent burglary in the upper end of Lancaster county. He says he can establish his innocence, and for his sake alone, if really innocent, it is to be hoped that he can do so. Ticket-of-leave men and reformed criminals seem to have hard paths to travel at best; for suspicion easily falls upon those who have been guilty, once or more, of transgressing the law. It is more difficult for a hardened sinner to reform, particularly where he is known, than it is for a righteous man to fall from grace and into shame.

The depth to which the sun's rays penetrate water has been recently determined by the aid of photographs. It has been found that at a depth of 553 feet the darkness was to all intents and purpose the same as that on a clear but moonless night. Sensitized plates exposed at this depth for a considerable length of time gave no evidence of light action.

FOOT-BALL is rapidly becoming the most fashionable American game of an athletic character. From descriptions we have heard and read of recent contests we are induced to infer that the game as now played has many brutal and beastly features. A dozen vicious bull dogs fighting for the possession of a bone is a mild comparison to the sight of a number of young men engaged in a rough and tumble knock-down scuffle over a foot-ball—while the spectators made up of otherwise civilized people look on and cheer and yell.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 3, 1893.

President Cleveland has had the long sought pleasure of signing the bill for the unconditional repeal of the law authorizing the purchase of silver, and the Voorhees bill is now a law of the land. Mr. Cleveland would be glad if Congress would let the financial question alone for a year or so and give him and Secretary Cassile a chance. But will Congress do it? If present indications count for anything it will not. Representative Bland, chairman of the House Coinage committee, and the recognized leader of the silver men in the House, has already intimated that his committee would early in the regular session report a bill intended to carry out the declaratory portion of the Voorhees act. Of course everybody knows that reporting a bill and passing it are very different things, still, its being reported would not be fancied by the administration. The question of a bond issue may also be sprung at any time, with or without the consent of the administration, the republicans in both House and Senate being practically unanimous in the belief that a bond issue will have to be authorized by this Congress.

The decision as to whether there shall be further financial legislation rests really with the conservative men in Congress, and their action is likely to be decided by the result of the Voorhees act upon the commercial world. If it be good the disposition to "let well enough alone" will probably prevent further financial legislation. If it be bad there will certainly be more silver legislation before the flowers bloom in the spring, whether it be acceptable to the President or not.

Senators and Representatives are nearly all glad of the opportunity to go and talk over what has been done at the extra session with the home folks, and not a few of them are a little dubious about the sort of reception they will receive from their constituents, particularly those who know that they have not acted in accordance with their opinions.

It is safe to predict that Congressman Bailey, of Texas, will receive few social invitations from the members of what are locally known as the army and navy set and the judiciary set during the coming season. The reason for this display of the cold shoulder towards the young Texan is easily located. He has introduced two bills in the House that would, if enacted into laws, go far towards breaking up numerous households in the circle named. One of them repeals all laws providing for the retirement on pay of army and navy officers and stops the payment of salaries to those now on the retired list; the other repeals all laws providing for the retirement on pay of U. S. Judges and stops the pay of those now on the retired list. It is not probable that such a radical change as that proposed by Mr. Bailey will be made, but that there is room for reform in this retirement business will become plain to anyone who will take the trouble to investigate it. Hundreds of retired army, and navy officers receiving pay from the government are engaged in private duties far more wearing than the pertaining to their rank in the service. Clearly this is not right. No officer should be retired on pay so long as he is able to perform his duties. The evil arises largely from the existence of an arbitrary age limit at which retirement is forced upon officers whether they wish it or not, and it is aggravated by the friends of young officers who wish the retirements to be numerous, as every retirement means a promotion in every grade below that held by the retiring officer.

The family of ex-President Harrison seems to have a hankering after the official leaves and fishes. It will be remembered that Mr. Harrison's republican brother was made U. S. Marshal of one of the Tennessee districts early in the last administration. Now that the tables have been turned the ex-President's democratic brother has come to Washington as an applicant for one of the Federal offices at his home, Kansas City, Mo. The family has not yet made arrangements for a "pull" on a populist President.

The country may wake up some fine morning and find itself with a war on its hands. That may be a startling assertion, but it is strictly true. Several European powers are understood to be covertly aiding the insurgents in Brazil with an understanding that if the republic is overthrown a monarchy is to be established which is to give Europeans a monopoly or the foreign trade of Brazil, a large portion of which is now controlled by Americans. If this understanding be correct—the State department has full information, but will not at present make it public—there are two reasons why the administration is virtually bound to interfere. One to uphold the Monroe doctrine and the other to protect the commercial interests of American citizens in Brazil. And this interference may lead to war with one or more of these nations. It is believed that the administration has this week taken some decisive steps, but it has succeeded in keeping them secret.

SANE ENOUGH TO HANG.

From the New York Journal.

Let every crank who is of a homicidal turn of mind be assured that if he takes a life he will be remorselessly and quickly punished and we shall hear no more of these dastardly crimes. Men who are sane enough to plan murder are also gifted with sufficient intelligence to discern the shadow of the electric chair if it is thrown across their pathway.

Don't Tobacco Spit or Smoke Your Life Away.

The truthful, startling title of a little book that tells all about No-to-bac, the wonderful harmless Guaranteed tobacco habit cure. The cost is trifling and the man who wants to quit of which is now controlled by Americans. If this understanding be correct—the State department has full information, but will not at present make it public—there are two reasons why the administration is virtually bound to interfere. One to uphold the Monroe doctrine and the other to protect the commercial interests of American citizens in Brazil. And this interference may lead to war with one or more of these nations. It is believed that the administration has this week taken some decisive steps, but it has succeeded in keeping them secret.

Have received a car load of Cement, and will quote low prices in lots.

SANTANDER'S HORROR.

AN APPALLING OF LIFE LOSS.

MADRID, SPAIN November 5.—The terrible disaster which has wrecked the port of Santander and destroyed hundreds of lives has sent a thrill of horror throughout Spain. The Cabo Machicaco, a Spanish steamer belonging to Bilbao, caught fire at 3 o'clock on Friday evening while the steamer was alongside the quay discharging part of her cargo, which comprised nearly 2,000 lines of merchandise. Though the main part of this cargo was iron ore there were also on board a number of sacks of flour, barrels of twine, many cases of petroleum and over 500 cases of dynamite, of which only twenty cases were declared on the steamer's manifest. The remaining 480 cases of dynamite were contraband, and concealed under the iron ore. The fire was first discovered in the coal bunkers, and is said to have been due either to spontaneous combustion or to some carelessness upon the part of the engineers. At about 4.30 P. M. a detonation on board the steamer showed, as it afterwards proved, that the boilers had burst, and soon after there was another terrible detonation heard. The scene following the blowing up of the steamer is almost indescribable and the effect of the explosion of 480 cases of dynamite will hardly be believed. The power of the explosion shot tons of iron ore into the air, where it mingled with the burning fragments of the steamer, tug and wooden quay as well as with the mangled bodies of hundreds of unfortunate people who were hurled upwards at the same time, and the falling of this horrible mass can be better imagined than described. The force of the exploding dynamite caused such a concussion that in addition to shaking hundreds of buildings of their foundations it sank a hundred small crafts in the harbor. The Alfonso XII., which vessel, as already cabled, caught fire so suddenly, burned so fiercely that forty of her crew lost their lives on board of her.

BODIES OF 165 PERSONS RECOVERED.

An official dispatch from Santander this evening says that the bodies of 165 persons killed by the dynamite explosion on Friday night have been recovered. The search is still in progress. Many persons are missing. At present 190 persons are under treatment for injuries received on Friday night. The damage to property amounts to several million francs.

EXPLOSION AND DEATH.

SIX WORKMEN INSTANTLY KILLED.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—Six men killed, others supposed to be dead under the ruins, a dozen persons injured, several horses dead and property damaged to the extent of about \$10,000 is the sum total of the havoc wrought by the explosion of a boiler yesterday. It was in the stables at the Dry Dock, East Broadway and Battery street railway, on East Fourteen street.

ONLY ONE BLACK SHEEP.

From the Pittsburg Press.

There are some interesting figures in connection with the vote in the Senate. One notable fact is that a legal quorum, a majority of the whole Senate, voted for repeal. There are 85 Senators in the chamber, of whom 43 voted for the repeal. Of those 43 there were 23 Republicans and 20 Democrats, and of the 35 who voted against repeal 10 were Republicans, 19 Democrats and 3 Populists. Of the 10 Republicans in the negative only one, Cameron, was a Senator not from a silver State. All the others were from the so-called silver States and voted for what they believed to be the interests of their constituents. It may have been not that they were owners of silver mines themselves, although some of them may be, but because their constituents are either directly or indirectly interested in the silver mining industry. It was left for Pennsylvania to produce the only Republican black sheep, who voted exactly against the interests and wishes of his constituents.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

THE BEST SALVE IN THE WORLD for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. W. Culbert, Druggist, Collegeville, Pa.

Seasonable Goods ALWAYS

At the Right Figures!

DRESS GOODS in VARIETY

APRON GINGHAMS.

Simpson's Fast Calicoes, in Remnants, 3 yds. Cheviot Shirting, 4 yds. for 25c. Extra fine Toweling, 5c. a yard. Men's extra fine seamless hose, 2 pair for 25c.

Gents' Neck Wear for Fall & Winter.

25 and 50c., and latest in LINEN COLLARS.

We have Fine Assortments of Gents' and Boys' Hats, College Caps, and a Good Every Day Hat for 25 Cents.

SHOES AND RUBBERS!

Freed's Hand-made Shoes are in and prices away down. Flow Shoes for \$1.00 and \$1.25. Men's Lace Shoes, extra good, \$1.25. Children's Shoes, \$1.00. Extra fine line of Ladies' and Misses' Shoes, from \$1.00 to \$2.50.

FULL LINE OF HARDWARE!

Extra Choice Groceries

We have the finest Syrups in the Market. New Orleans Molasses. Large California Prunes, 2 lbs. for 25c. Appricots and Peaches. Flow Cream Cheese. Extra fat Mackerel. 4 lbs. best head rice for 25c.

Have received a car load of Cement, and will quote low prices in lots.

W. P. FENTON,

215b COLLEGEVILLE, PA.



Mr. J. Johnson of Philadelphia

Good and Reliable

Hood's Cured Malaria and Loss of Appetite.

The following letter is from a gentleman widely known in the section of Philadelphia where he lives, being a member of the I. O. O. F., Red Men, Order of Tontine, and the Republican Club, and a popular speaker in public meetings:

"I dare say that I am more glad in taking Hood's Sarsaparilla than its proprietors are in selling it. I took it for malaria and loss of appetite, and the fact that we have continued to use it in our family is sufficient evidence of our confidence in its efficacy. My food tastes better and relishes more naturally. My wife and daughter say Hood's Sarsaparilla has also very much improved my complexion. We regard it as good and reliable, and recommend it to all of our friends." JAMES JOHNSON, 551 E. Indiana Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.

Hood's Cures

Hood's Pills cure liver ills, jaundice, leucorrhoea, sick headache and constipation. 25c.

THIRD ANNUAL CHRYSANTHEMUM SHOW

Collegeville Greenhouses

FROM OCT. 26 TO NOV. 15.

FREE TO ALL.

Hundreds of Fine Plants in

FULL BLOOM.

TO BE GIVEN AWAY, FOR A VERY SMALL SUM.

Primroses, 15c. each; Carnations, 3 kinds, 25c. each; Violets, double blue, 15c. each; Geraniums, 30 kinds, 15c. each. Hyacinth and Tulip Bulbs, at very low prices.

HORACE RIMBY, Florist, COLLEGEVILLE, PA.

FALL AND WINTER ANNOUNCEMENT

Beaver & Shellenberger,

TRAPPE, PA.

Large Stock of Suitings, Overcoatings

BED BLANKETS, FLEECE SHIRTINGS, COTTON FLANNELS.

Underwear for All Sizes!

Floor and Table Oil Cloths, Hardware, Crockeryware, Tubs, Buckets,

A full line of Boots, Shoes, Neck-Ties, Collars, Cuffs, Hosiery, &c.

Hats and Caps.

A full line of NEW GROCERIES and GENERAL MERCHANDISE, and selling at bottom figures.

Markley's Grand Depot

ROYERSFORD, PA.

Furniture and Carpets!

Our new styles of furniture, all kinds, have arrived, and we are now prepared to show you a larger line at prices much less than last season. Our large line of carpets, all grades, will bear inspection and prices are cut to suit hard times.

NEW - DRESS - GOODS!

Hopsackings, Storm Serges, Homespuns, Cloths and Cassimeres are now selling. We have also several lines of very pretty dress fabrics and trimmings. wool underwear and bed blankets at before unheard of prices. Now is the time to buy them.

Visit Our Grocery Department:

The goods cannot be excelled in quality or prices. We buy clean, fresh goods each week.

Do You Need a Good Sewing Machine?

We are selling the "DEMOREST," one of the best makes, prices \$19.50 to \$25.00—usually sold at \$50.00 to \$65.00. Come and see it.

Butterick Paper Patterns!

We keep a full line of them on hand, and will be glad to supply your wants.

Do not spend your money in going to the city to buy your goods. We have an immense stock and can suit you and save you money. Help us to build up a good home trade. We welcome you and our aim is to please you.

Crayons still given for every \$10 worth of goods purchased.

Goods delivered free of charge.

E. L. MARKLEY

211, 213 & 215 Main St.

ROYERSFORD, PA.

WANTED!

To purchase weekly the product of several butter dairies. Address at once, G. R. McGLATHERY & CO., Commission Merchants, Norristown, Pa.

COATS AND CAPES

—AT—

LEOPOLD'S,

254 HIGH STREET,

POTTSTOWN, PA.

Our assortment of Ladies' and Misses' Coats and Capes for the Autumn and Winter of 1893 is larger than ever before, while the variety and beauty of styles are admired by all who examine them. NEW CAPES for Ladies, from the light-weight for Autumn up to the most elegant Cloth and Seal Plush, at from \$2.50 to \$18.75.

LADIES' COATS from \$3.00 up to those of handsome materials, rich Fur Trimmings and stylish Umbrella or Columbian back and collars, in all sizes, in light shades, blue and black.

MISS' AND CHILDREN'S COATS at \$1.25 up to the prettiest ever shown in Pottstown.

OUR OWN MAKES of fine, strictly first class COATS and CAPES are drawing customers from all sections of the United States, and especially Philadelphia and other large cities.

NEW FURS, in CAPES, COLLARS, SCARFS and the NEW STYLE MUFFS, flat, with head and neck, and every fashionable and reliable sort of furs at most reasonable prices. All kinds of Fur Garments made to order in our work rooms. Fur Trimmings, made for Fur Edgings for trimming dresses in all the leading furs, and any width and kind made to order.

NEW DRESS GOODS, from low-priced up to very handsome goods at \$2.00. We bought direct of an honest old Scotch manufacturer the best 50 cent DRESS GOODS that can possibly be produced, all ready shrunk, in Hop sack, Diagonal, Crepons, Storm Serges, Granite, etc. Don't miss seeing our Cloaks, Dress Goods and Furs.

Leopold's,

254 HIGH ST.,

POTTSTOWN, PA.

GRAND DISPLAY

Furniture, Carpets,

BEDDING, &c.,

—AT—

Collegeville Furniture Warerooms!

We have taken special care in selecting our Spring Stock and believe we have the finest selection of stock ever offered in this place or any other in Montgomery County. Young Housekeepers will be interested and greatly benefited by calling and obtaining prices.

Brussels, Ingrain and Rag Carpets

STAIR CARPETS and RUGS of all kinds.

Window Shades with spring rollers, as low as 25c. Shades with Linen Fringe, 50c. to \$1.00. Oak and Walnut Bedroom Suits in great variety. A big line of Fancy Rockers, Lounges, Couches, Slideboards and Hall Racks. Wilton, Plush, Silk Tapestry and Hair Cloth Parlor Suits at astonishingly low prices. Chamber Suits, Fancy Lamps, Vases and Umbrella Stands. Bed Springs, Mattresses, Feathers, and Bedding of all kinds.

OIL CLOTHS

Both Table and Floor. Picture Frames made to order.

Upholstering and all kinds of repairing done at low prices.

All goods delivered free of charge. 5 per cent. allowed for cash.

Our Motto is: Low prices, quick sales and small profits.

John L. Bechtel,

COLLEGEVILLE, PA.

We have added Another

and Better to our former

lot of Bargains in

BED BLANKETS!

Most of them came direct from the mill to our counters; they are somewhat damaged, but so slightly as to escape notice; yet the prices are down to one-half or two-thirds that of perfects.

The \$3.50 NEARLY ALL-WOOL, white is the latest and biggest bargain. It has a bright fast-colored border, is thick, soft, and smooth—not a tickle point to be found in its entire length or breadth—is 2 1/2 yards square, weighs 6 lbs., and confers a most grateful woolly warmth to bed and person; it sells at \$5.00 in all town and city retail stores.

The entire list of bargains follows, viz:

Cotton—Greys, 10-4, 85 cents. Tans, 10-4, 98 cents.

Part Wool—Greys, 11-4, \$2.25. Whites, 11-4, 1.75. Scarlets, 11-4, 2.25.

Nearly All-Wool—Greys, Whites, 12-4, \$2.75. Reds, 12-4, 4.50.

Positively All-Wool—Scarlets, Whites, 12-4, \$5.00. 12-4, 8.00.

A FEW BLANKET PIECES AT 50 AND 75 CENTS EACH.

Men's and Children's Hats

At from 12 1/2 to 90 cents each, that were from 50 cents to \$2.25.

KULP & WAGNER

GRATER'S FORD, PA.

OUR STOCK

—OF—

Store Goods!

Was never more complete in scope and variety than at present, including just what our customers need to supply their everyday wants at

Narrow Margin Prices.

There is no need of elaborate mention in the line of DRY GOODS, it being sufficient to say that the shelves are filled with the best muslins, flannels, calicoes, ginghams, dress goods, &c. A fair exchange—goods for cents and dollars—must benefit both seller and buyer equally; we'll see that you get FULL value.

Be sure to give us a trial in the line of

GROCERIES!

Full line syrups, 25c. a gallon and upwards; 4 lbs. large raisins, 25c.; 4 lbs. best head rice, 25c.; 4 lbs. tobacco, 25c.; crystal rice, 5c. lb., 6 lbs. for 25c.

There is much room for deception in handling groceries. Our aim is to deal in pure goods.

In Furnishing Goods for men, women and children, we mean to lead. In SCHOOL SUPPLIES for boys and girls who are going to assist in conducting the affairs of township, State and Nation, by and by, we have just what they want.

M. T. HUNSICKER,

IRONBRIDGE, PA.

If you have anything to sell, advertise it in the Independent.

Warranted to Keep Time!

Our WATCHES are warranted to Keep Time. They are exceedingly well regulated in their habits and some of them can be purchased for prices which will make you wonder how such perfect mechanism can possibly be made and put together for the money.

You ought not to go without a watch, especially when you can purchase an admirable time keeper for \$8.00 in Gold Filled. A Ladies' 14 Kt. Gold Filled Hunting Case, Elgin Movement, warranted to wear 30 years, for \$15.00. A Gents' Gold Filled Case, Elgin, 30 years' wear, \$15.00; Open Case, \$14.00. We have recently made some notable additions to our Stock of Rings. Genuine Diamond Rings for \$2.75, \$3, \$4, \$5.50, \$6.50, \$8.00, and up. These goods are bargains.

J. D. SALLADE, 16 E. MAIN STREET, NORRISTOWN, PA. OPPOSITE PUBLIC SQUARE.

SILVERWARE

COMPLETE TEA, DINNER AND DESERT SERVICES. CAKE, BERRY, FRUIT AND CELEKY DISHES.

A SUPERB ASSORTMENT COMPRISING ALL THE LATEST IDEAS OF THE SEASON.

NEW STYLES PARTICULARLY CONSPICUOUS for Elegance and Distinctiveness.

G. LANZ'S, No. 211 DeKalb Street, Norristown, Pa.

COLLEGEVILLE DRUG STORE.

COMPOUND SYRUP WILD CHERRY AND SENGAL, Cures Coughs, Colds, Croup, &c.

TOILET LOTION, Cures Chapped Hands, Face, Relieves all Irritations of the Skin.

PURE BLACK PEPPER, PRIME SWEET MARJORAM, CORN CURE, 10c. PER BOTTLE.

VIOLIN - AND - GUITAR - STRINGS.

PURE SPICES A SPECIALTY. JOSEPH W. CULBERT.

HONEST MONEY!

Congress having declared in favor of Honest Money, I will take occasion to remind my customers that, as usual, I am dealing in

HONEST GOODS.

Which I will be glad to exchange for Honest Money upon a fair and just basis of values. To be convinced of this fact, come and see my stock of Store Goods and compare price with quality.

Please do not forget that I make Suits to fit you and make pantaloons a specialty in my business. Immense stock of Boots and Shoes to fit the foot and to fit the purse. Yours truly,

Thursday, Nov. 9, 1893.

Home Flashes and Sparks From Abroad.

—Well,

—Did it go your way, Tuesday?

—If it didn't, what of it?

—If you did what you conceived to be your duty you can well abide by the result.

—Go hear.

—Col. Bain

—In Memorial Hall

—This (Thursday) evening.

—Don't miss the treat!

—The faculty for saying sharp, disagreeable things does not necessarily imply that a man is wiser than his neighbors.—*Milwaukee Journal.*

—Neighbor M. O. Roberts, of the Machine works, is steadily recovering from his recent illness.

—It is reported that John U. Hendricks has sold his store and stock at Eagleville and that he is about purchasing Kraft's store property at Evansburg.

—A correspondent gives some of the impressions he received on a recent visit to Iowa, on the first page.

—Philadelphia is rejoicing over the return of the Liberty Bell from Chicago. People who get anything back from Chicago are always happy.—*New York Advertiser.*

—Large and varied stock of horse blankets at W. E. Johnson's harness store, Providence Square.

—The jury list for December is published on the first page.

—Miss Melissa Cressinger, of Trappe, is slowly recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever.

—The present display of chrysanthemums at Mr. Kimbly's greenhouses, this place, is very attractive. None of our lady readers should miss it.

—"So he wanted to hold you in his lap? How impudent. What did you do?"

—"Why, you just bet I sat on him?"

—*Truth*

—Merchant Gotwals, of Providence Square, has placed a new and interesting advertisement in this issue. Read it.

—Milton V. Detwiler, of this township, has made an assignment of all his personal property and real estate to J. Warren Rosenberger, for the benefit of creditors.

—The rain fall Saturday was the heaviest since last spring.

—Lizzie, wife of Reuben G. Halde-man, Skippack, is very ill with consumption. Her condition is critical.

—For general election results see editorial page.

WATCHING BARN.

Some of the farmers in the vicinity of Wilkesbarre, this State, are watching their barns nightly with shot and guns. Several incendiaries are at work. Two barns were burned Monday night.

STOCK SOLD.

At the public sale of personal property of the late Theodore R. Tyson, of Skippack, a few days ago, five shares Schwenksville Bank sold for \$181 a share, and five shares Ridge Avenue Farmers Market for \$136 a share.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Tuberculosis is prevalent among the cattle belonging to the farmers in the vicinity of Doylestown. The disease is slowly spreading, and a number of condemned animals have been dispatched.

A LONG WHILE DIRECTOR.

Ex-Assemblyman Oliver G. Morris has resigned as school director of Line Lexington district. He has had thirty-three years of continuous service as a school director—for many years in Hatfield township.

GUNNERS ARRESTED.

Four sportsmen of Norristown were taken to Skippackville Friday morning by constable Bergey, charged by Jacob Weidenbach with trespassing on his land. They were given a hearing before Squire Orr, who imposed the usual fines and costs.

RELIGIOUS.

M. E. church, Evansburg. Sabbath school at 9.30 a. m., every Sabbath. Preaching, 10.45 a. m., and every Sabbath evening at 7.30.

Episcopal service at St. James' Evansburg every Sunday at 10.30 a. m., Sunday School, 2 p. m. Also a service at Roversford at 7 p. m. Rev. A. J. Barrow, Rector.

Divine service during the summer at Union church, near Shannonsville every Sunday morning at 10.30. In the afternoon throughout the year at St. Paul's Memorial church, near Oaks, at 3.30 o'clock. Strangers always welcome. Benj. J. Douglass, Rector.

TRINITY CHURCH.

C. E. prayer meeting, Wednesday evening of this week, at 7.30 o'clock. Preaching on Sunday at 10 o'clock, a. m., and 7.30 p. m.

Regular divine service next Sunday at Augustus Lutheran church, Trappe, at 10 a. m., and in the evening at 7.30; subject, "Thomas the Apostle of doubt and conviction." The annual meeting of the Pastor's Aid Society will be held on Saturday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. The Rev. Jacob Neff will be present to address the Society. As it is the time for election of officers and reappointment of standing committees, a full attendance of members is desired.

Cure for Headache.

As a remedy for all forms of Headache Electric Bitters has proved to be the best. It effects a permanent cure and the most dreaded habitual sick headaches yield to its influence. We urge all who are afflicted to procure a bottle and give this remedy a fair trial. In cases of habitual constipation Electric Bitters cures by giving the needed tone to the bowels, and few cases long resist the use of this medicine. Try it once. Large bottles only 50 cents at Culbert's Drug Store.

A BIG BEET.

We have received from Florist H. Rimby, of this place, a mammoth root beetle that measures 30 inches in circumference and weighs 10 pounds. This beats all beets of the season.

POSTPONED.

Inclement weather necessitated the postponement of the recitation contest in the M. E. Church, Evansburg, last Saturday evening. The contest will take place next Saturday evening, November 11.

MORE WORK AT PHOENIXVILLE.

Numerous orders for bridge work is causing increased activity in the works of the Phoenix Iron Company. Several plans that were closed will be put on double turn giving employment to hundreds of men.

FOUND UNCONSCIOUS.

T. J. Hoffman, a newspaper canvasser of Norristown, was found lying in an unconscious condition in the road near Ziegler'sville Wednesday last week. He had an attack of vertigo and fell out of his carriage, breaking his collar bone.

PREPARING FOR DANCERS.

J. Shepard, proprietor of Perkiomen Bridge Hotel, is having an addition built to the dancing pavilion to afford special room for the musicians. He intends to enclose the entire pavilion with movable sections of wood and glass so as to provide accommodations for parties during the winter season.

LOWER PROVIDENCE COAL.

Recently a vein of coal four feet wide and twenty-six inches deep was discovered on the farm of Mr. John Shirley, along the Skippack and near its junction with the Perkiomen. We are not informed as to the nature or quality of the Lower Providence coal, but hope that it contains sufficient carbon to make the mining of it a profitable business.

AGAIN RAIDED.

Sneak thieves seem to have a special liking for W. E. Johnson's harness store at Providence Square, that establishment having been raided again one night last week. This time the thieves only secured a quantity of tobacco. They had other goods in readiness for removal, but were doubtless frightened off before accomplishing their purpose.

DIED IN THE PERKIOMEN.

The dead body of Henry Kriebel, a director of the East Greenville Bank, was found in the Perkiomen Monday, near the Berks county line. The coroner's jury found "that he came to his death by accidentally falling into the waters of the Perkiomen creek and from overexertion, brought on by the struggle to get out of the water, and having a weak heart, resulted in his death."

SHEEP SCARED BY GUNNERS.

The gunning season opened last week and all the Nimrods have since been going forth in quest of game and coming home with something or nothing in the shape of quail, rabbits, etc. A farmer residing near Arcola complains that gunners and dogs have frightened his sheep to such an extent as to make them almost uncontrollable, and he is in just about the right temper to arrest the first sportsman who happens that way with gun and dog.

BIG TURNIPS.

Big turnips had an inning last week. A large one from David Reimer, of Lower Providence, measured 24 inches going one way and weighed five pounds, and a larger specimen from the farm of Emanuel Longacre, this township, measured 30 inches in circumference and weighed 10½ pounds. "Tommy," of Yerkes, would like to beat them all, but he hasn't as yet figured up how he can do it. We have a suspicion that he contemplates a visit to more than one turnip patch.

MANAGERS ELECTED.

At a meeting of the Montgomery Mutual Fire Insurance Company held at the Veranda House, Norristown, Monday, Board of Managers was elected for the ensuing year—John J. Corson, Isaac A. Shoemaker, M. C. Guthrie, A. D. Bechtel, William H. Jenkins, Josiah S. Pearce, Samuel Frohiser, James M. Coulston, Samuel Dresher, J. Evans Isett, A. H. Schlosser, E. T. Comly and James Pierce. The Managers decided to pay various claims for fire losses amounting to \$4500.

WOULD GO TO CARNCROSS!

The other evening several Professors and a number of students were seated around the tea table. In elaborating various topics of conversation one of the Professors had occasion to ask of each student his opinion of the "Professor's" attitude in relation to footlight-scenes, said: "No indeed, Professor, I do not favor it; I am very much opposed to theatres," and then added, "but I'd go to Carncross!" A smile spread over the faces of the other students, and he it remarked, even the Professor smiled.

ACCIDENT.

Monday evening Dr. M. Y. Weber, of Evansburg, tied his horse to a post near the drug store and proceeded to attend to professional duties. The Doctor's little son Stroud remained in the carriage. For some reason or other the horse commenced kicking, and as Stroud was in the act of jumping out he was kicked in the abdomen, but very fortunately was not seriously injured. The excitement soon drew together a number of citizens who found the horse lying down, entangled in the harness, and the shafts broken. Neighbor Schreuren acted the good Samaritan and furnished the Doctor a vehicle in which he returned home. The conduct of the horse was entirely unusual and therefore unexpected.

Beware of Ointments that Contain Mercury.

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is tenfold to the good you can expect to receive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co., Testimonials free.

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FATAL ACCIDENT.

Harry Rosenberger, aged 17 years, employed by Philip S. Alderfer, a Lower Salford farmer, was killed Wednesday last week by a runaway accident, while hauling corn from the field.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Harry Muckle, on returning to his home at Terre Hill, near Reading, Friday evening, found his wife burned to a crisp. The cause is a mystery, as the house and surroundings were undisputed.

DEATH.

Mrs. Anderson, wife of David B. Anderson, died of typhoid fever at her residence in Evansburg last Friday night, aged about 30 years. She leaves a husband and two children. The funeral was held yesterday (Wednesday).

FELL DOWN STAIRS.

Susan, the eighteen-year-old daughter of Abram C. Cassel, of Skippack, on Wednesday last week, fell down the cellar stairs and severely injured her hip and bruised other portions of her body. Dr. S. B. Horning, of Evansburg, was summoned.

HOT HOUSE VEGETABLES.

F. C. Prizer, florist and gardener of this place, intends to cultivate vegetables in his hot houses during the coming winter, and ere the bluebirds come again he expects to fill numerous orders for ripe tomatoes, cucumbers, etc.

UNDER TREATMENT.

Roy Hallman, aged 12 years, son of Abraham H. Hallman, Norristown, has been confined in a dark room at the home of his parents, undergoing treatment for hydrophobia. As yet the little fellow shows no signs of the disease. A Lansdale hydrophobia doctor has the case.

DIPHTHERIA.

Diphtheria has lately prevailed to an alarming extent in the vicinity of Port Kennedy. Within the past ten days six children in as many families have died and others are in a precarious condition. One of the children who succumbed to the disease was the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Blackburn.

PHILADELPHIA MARKETS.

Winter bran, \$16 @ \$17; flour, \$2.50 @ \$4.15; smoked hams, 12½¢; wheat, 65½¢ @ 70½¢; corn, 41¢; oats, 36½¢; butter, 25½¢ @ 32¢; live fowls, 8½¢ @ 9¢; dressed fowls, 10¢ @ 11¢; timothy hay, \$1.10 @ \$1.20; straw, 70¢ @ 75¢; beef cattle, 3½¢ @ 5½¢; sheep, 1½¢ @ 4½¢; lambs, 3¢ @ 5½¢; hogs, 9¢ @ 9½¢.

CHICKEN THIEF SHOT.

A WOMAN HIT THE MARK THIS TIME. About 3 o'clock last Saturday morning, Mrs. A. Eddleman, of near Trappe, heard a noise in the vicinity of the chicken house. Her husband being away at the time she was somewhat alarmed at first, but she soon mustered her courage and loaded a double barreled shot gun. Her niece Clara, volunteered assistance, and the two proceeded in the direction of the noise. By the rays of a lantern held by Mrs. E., Clara shot and killed what proved to be a huge possum. The possum had already killed several chickens. The old notion that a woman can't hit a target, with shot or a stone, must be modified. Clara did very well, better than some men would have done.

HATES TOBACCO.

A Professor in one of the Colleges of Eastern Pennsylvania is very much opposed to the use of tobacco in any form, and some of his disquisitions against the weed are well weighted with adjectives. He says he would turn his back upon a man who would have the effrontery to come into his presence with a cigar or pipe in his mouth. The Professor hates tobacco. Perhaps he tried to learn to chew or smoke when he was a small boy, and has not forgotten his experience. He should wear a placard inscribed "Abhor tobacco," and if he is a boy who smokes or chews to ensure immunity from the wicked ones who use the weed. His sensitive nervous organization should be protected from smoke at all hazards in his journey through this hard world. Aggravations of the spleen are usually productive of disagreeable results.

Ursinus College Notes.

A class in gymnastics has been organized under the leadership of Elwood Middleton. The class meets every evening at 6.30.

At the regular meeting of the Zwilling Society, on Friday evening last, the following officers were elected: President, Johnson; Vice President, O. B. Wehr; Rec. Sec., Shellenberger; Cor. Sec., Horst; Treasurer, Conkle; Chaplain, Buchanan; Musical Director, Stubblebine; Editors, Lerch and Frantz; Critic, Witzel; Janitor, Steakle.

The Brotherhood of A. and P. has been reorganized with the following officers: President, Hicks; Vice Presidents, Conkle and Rohrbach; Rec. Sec., Strayer; Cor. Sec., Leidy; Treas., Shellenberger.

Col. Bain will deliver a lecture in Bomberger Hall this (Thursday) evening, on "Boys and Girls, Nice and Naughty." The lecture will be under the auspices of the Schaff Literary Society.

The Ursinus foot ball team will play a game with the Norristown High School on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 11. All come and see an interesting game.

Next week being the week of prayer for young men, the Y. M. C. A. of the college will hold services every evening in their room. The following gentlemen will lead the meetings: Rev. Hill, of Phila.; Dr. Good, of Reading; Willard Smith, of Phila.; Rev. Kretschman, of Trappe; Rev. Derr, of Spring City. All men are earnestly invited to attend these meetings.

Dr. Hyde, of Lehigh University, delivered two lectures in Bomberger Hall, last week, on "Ancient Cities." The lectures were well attended and proved interesting to all.

On Friday evening next the Zwilling Society will give a musical entertainment in their society hall to test the merits of their new piano. A good program has been arranged. All honorary members and friends of the Society are cordially invited to be present.

UPPER PROVIDENCE ELECTION FIGURES.

Election day, Tuesday, in this district, was not emphasized by any specially exciting features. The work of depositing the secret ballots was accomplished very quietly and the citizens gathered about the polls seemed to be more interested in Mr. Rhodes' photograph than in the candidates who were being voted for. Following is the result of the election in the three districts of this township:

U. D. M. L. D.

STATE TREASURER.

Samuel M. Jackson, r, 176 53 195

Frank C. Osburn, d, 96 66 118

Jackson's maj., 144.

JUDGE OF SUPREME COURT.

D. Newlin Fell, r, 175 53 194

S. G. Thompson, d, 97 67 118

PROTHONOTARY.

Samuel Nyce, r, 178 53 197

Jesse B. Gilbert, d, 95 67 118

Nyce's maj., 148.

RECORDER OF DEEDS.

Geo. W. Keys, r, 177 52 195

Geo. W. Pawling, d, 96 67 119

Keys' maj., 142.

CLERK OF COURTS.

D. A. Shiffert, r, 176 53 196

J. Rein Keeler, d, 97 66 118

Shiffert's maj., 144.

REGISTER OF WILLS.

Joseph C. Crawford, r, 169 53 193

A. Helfenstein, d, 100 67 120

Crawford's maj., 128.

COMMISSIONERS.

Samuel K. Anders, r, 177 54 197

Chas. M. Reed, r, 175 52 194

Milton G. Erb, d, 94 66 120

Geo. W. Hannel, d, 93 65 118

Anders' maj., 152.

DIRECTORS OF THE POOR.

Wm. Shepard (3 yrs.), r, 170 51 181

F. Epeheimer (1 yr.), r, 172 51 184

Hand, Supplee (3 yrs.), d, 101 71 138

John Tagert (1 yr.), d, 101 71 131

Shepard's maj. over Supplee, 92.

AUDITORS.

A. J. Kentner, r, 173 53 194

H. K. Keyser, r, 173 53 195

F. J. Becker, d, 98 66 119

F. G. Mack, d, 99 66 118

The Prohibitionists polled 16 votes in the Upper district, 2 in the Mingo district, and 8 in the Lower district.

THE RESULT IN THE COUNTY.

NORRISTOWN, PA., November 8, 11.30 A. M.

The Republicans have made a clean sweep in Montgomery, electing every candidate on their ticket, with majorities ranging from 600 to 1200.

The majority on the State ticket is about 800.

AN OLD MAN KILLED.

Jacob Bower, 82 years of age, a retired farmer living at Douglassville, Berks county, was fatally injured on the Pennsylvania railroad at that place, Thursday forenoon. He was in the act of crossing the track when the engine of an express train struck him. He was picked up bleeding and unconscious.

WELCOME HOME PARTY.

Miss Bertha Perry, of Eagleville, was given a Welcome Home from her Virginia trip, in the form of a Halloween surprise. As she entered the house about eight p. m., after a drive, she found her home made merry by the presence of more than a score of her friends. Wierd jack o' lanterns cast a spectral glow over everything as the company began to try the various old time methods of unveiling the future as practiced on this mystic night. The second surprise occurred when two of the guests, who had been supposed to become distinguished Revolutionary heroes, were discovered to be two young men of the present age disguised in the garb of ancient nobility. After several hours had been whiled pleasantly away in the observance of numerous old time customs and pastimes, the guests departed, and the Halloween party became a pleasant memory.

FROM CHESTER COUNTY.

Two Collegeville ladies recently journeyed over a portion of this county in search of chestnuts. They drove, altogether, about forty miles, smiled upon a good many hayseeds—who appreciate feminine beauty, you know—and gathered all the way to four quarts of chestnuts. Had they engaged a chaperone who knows something about "the lay of the land" and the whereabouts of the chestnut trees, they would have fared much better. I would not have objected to the job myself.

Miss Jessie Royer, daughter of Dr. J. W. Royer, of Trappe, will give an

elocutionary entertainment in St. Matthews Reformed church, West Vincent, on Thursday evening, November 16. Miss Royer has taken up a good work and will make her mark.

CHESTNUT.

Excitement at Black Rock.

STOLEN GOODS FOUND AND ONE OF THE THIEVES RIDDLED WITH SHOT.

Wednesday last week several boys were hunting near M. P. Anderson's farm adjoining the Almshouse premises, when they chased a rabbit under a culvert. While making efforts to secure the rabbit they found two bags filled with boots and shoes and other goods, supposed to have been stolen from a Phoenixville store a few nights previous. The boys soon announced their find and Mr. Anderson removed the goods, filled the bags with straw, and placed them under the culvert again. Then he arranged with his hired man and William Loux to watch the watchers from their hiding place, saw two men approach the spot where the goods had been hidden. Soon one of the men remarked "we are sold," and just then they were ordered to throw up their arms. Instead of complying with the order the men started off on a run, and the watchers began emptying their guns in the direction of the fleeing thieves. For a time it appeared as though both had escaped, but a close search afterward revealed a man well punctured with shot in a clump of bushes near the Schuylkill. His partner succeeded in making his escape. Our informant says that the wounded man swam across the Schuylkill right after he was shot and then changed his mind as to the course he should take and swam back again and was caught. He was taken to Phoenixville and after a hearing was committed to jail at West Chester.

From Limerick.

David Rittenhouse, of Upper Providence, is suffering with catarrh of the hand.

The Ladies' Aid Society of St. James' Lutheran church will hold an oyster supper in Kline's hall, at Limerick Square, on Saturday evening of this week, Nov. 11.

Lizzie M. Johnson is spending this week at Parkersford, Chester county.

At a business meeting of the Y. P. S. S. Society, on last Friday evening, the election for officers resulted as follows: President, Ralph L. Johnson; Vice President, Henry Rittenhouse; Secretary, Laura B. Johnson; Editor, C. W. Johnson; Chaplain, W. B. Johnson. The Society will hold its meetings on Thursday evenings instead of Friday evenings, as heretofore. The next regular meeting will occur on Thursday evening, Nov. 16. Program next week.

Rev. O. H. E. Rauch and wife, of Roversford, attended the Convention of the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip, which was held at the Collegiate Reformed church on Fifth avenue, New York city last week. Mr. Rauch was formerly assistant pastor of this church.

The couple that were married in the Ferris Wheel when it reached the top of the circle began their wedded life pretty well up in the world. But when they came down to take a ride on the canals we presume they experienced some of "the ups and downs" of married life.

B. F. Rambo, of near Linfield, has returned from his trip to Belle Plaines, Iowa, where he was the guest of Arnold Casselberry, whose kindness and hospitality he greatly appreciated and will long remember. Mr. Casselberry, formerly of Evansburg, is the possessor of a fine and valuable collection of the daughter of Michael Schrack, with whom the old gentleman is now living. Mr. Schrack is well and favorably known to many of our readers as Steward of the Montgomery Almshouse for a period of ten years, from 1860 to 1870. Before moving to his present western home he lived on a small lot near Mingo Mill known as "Ebert's." His daughter is trying to make the evening of life as pleasant as possible for him, and although he is 85 years old, with the exception of a somewhat tottering step and enfeebled memory, his general health is remarkably good.

Rev. E. Clark Hilsman preached in St. Luke's church, Trappe, on Matt. 6: 25. "Is not the life more than meat and the body than raiment." Life is valuable. What estimate have you

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FOR PHILADELPHIA AND POINTS SOUTH.	
Milk.....	6.53 a. m.
Accommodation.....	8.02 a. m.
Market.....	12.30 p. m.
Accommodation.....	4.03 p. m.
FOR ALLENTOWN AND POINTS NORTH AND WEST.	
Milk.....	8.02 a. m.
Accommodation.....	9.06 a. m.
Market.....	12.30 p. m.
Accommodation.....	4.03 p. m.
SUNDAYS—SOUTH.	
Milk.....	7.12 a. m.
Accommodation.....	8.13 p. m.
NORTH.	
Accommodation.....	9.43 a. m.
Milk.....	7.37 p. m.
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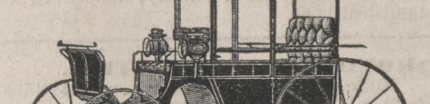


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Department of Agriculture.

PROPER CARE OF HARNESS.

Some farmers pay little attention to the proper care of their harness, devoting less attention to it than livermen, cab and hack drivers, who attend to this matter because it pays them well to do so. It is not a rare sight to see a farmer's heavy draught and single harness that have been used for several years without a drop of any lubricant touching them since they came from the dealer's hands. All the leather portion is hard and brittle and presents a dull appearance. If used during a shower, the parts that are rubbed look more like porous sole leather than an oak-tanned article. Such treatment shortens the life and usefulness of the harness at least one-half; whereas, a few cents worth of oil and two or three hours' time each year would not only make the harness far more presentable, but add to its usefulness, and what is of greater importance, to its safety. Do not hang the harness in a horse stable. The ammonia arising from the urine is very destructive to leather of any kind. Before oiling the harness remove all dirt and dandruff by thoroughly washing with strong castile soap suds.

The harness should be taken apart before commencing operations. Choose a warm day, if out of doors, or work near a stove if indoors. As soon as dry, any of the harness oils may be applied with a woolen cloth, or soft sponge, using care to saturate every portion. After each strap has been oiled, bend it back and forth, thereby introducing the oil to the very centre of each strap. If not previously oiled for a long time, a second application should be given, and after a few hours go over with a dry cloth, removing all that has not been absorbed. In place of the usual neat's foot or petroleum harness oil, melted lard free from salt, or even unsalted butter may be used. It is better still to boil up the broken shin bones of a beef. The marrow, and what tallow there may be, will make a most valuable dressing of almost the consistency of oil, and may be bottled for future use. If a color be desired, add a little lamp black. This will prove equally efficacious as a dressing for boots and shoes. Fifty cents' worth of these shin bones, obtained of any butcher, will yield enough neat's foot oil to last several years.—L. D. Snook.

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able of producing. A large crop exhausts its fertility more than a small one, but the cost of harvesting the large one is very little more than it costs to harvest a small crop. Part of the profits from the larger crops can be used in restoring the fertility of the land. It is only when there is a profit from crops to restore fertility that failure in farming can be averted. To get immediate returns, potash is necessary in some form, and if properly used it will enable the farmer to have a succession of large crops, thereby leaving him profitable returns, a part of which can be used in restoring the soil. With small crops and no returns, the end is failure, and ashes help to supply a strong and quick growth.—N. E. Homestead.

Spontaneous combustion may result from storing hay in the barn unless it is properly cured and free from dampness, and when cutting corn fodder do not allow it to become too dry before cutting.

It is useless to save seed from a large and luscious watermelon if you have several varieties together, as the melons of next year, from the selected seed, may be uniform in every respect.

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Information received from the Department of Agriculture indicates that the winter wheat crop will not exceed 250,000,000 bushels and may prove much less.

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